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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF

Administrative Action

JEREMY VAN DEVENDER, P.T. License NO:40QA00972700

CONSENT ORDER

LICENSED TO PRACTICE
PHYSICAL THERAPY IN
THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

This matter came before the New Jersey State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") upon the Board's random audit of licensed physical therapists and physical therapist assistants pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:39A-9.4(d) who submitted license renewal applications to engage in the practice of physical therapy for the 2008-2010 biennial renewal period. The renewal applications submitted by

licensed physical therapists and physical therapist assistants included an acknowledgment regarding whether or not the licensees had completed thirty (30) continuing education credits during the period from February 1, 2006 through January 31, 2008 as required for the 2008-2010 biennial license renewal period pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:9-37.18(a)10 and N.J.A.C. 13:39A-9.1 et. seq.

The information supplied by Jeremy Van DeVender, P.T. (hereinafter referred to as the "Respondent") in correspondence dated May 26, 2008 in response to the Board's audit is that he has completed fifteen (15) Board pre-approved credits. Upon a review of the submissions, the Board found that Respondent had submitted fifteen (15) Board pre-approved credits and no other documentation of any other credits completed.

Based upon all the available information reviewed, the Board has found that the Respondent has completed fifteen (15) of the required continuing education credits. The Respondent's conduct in failing to obtain thirty (30) continuing education credits in the period from February 1, 2006 through January 31, 2008 establishes a basis for disciplinary action as the Respondent did not meet the requirements for renewal of his license to practice as a physical therapist as he failed to obtain the requisite thirty (30) continuing education credits within the two years preceding the renewal period as required by N.J.S.A. 45:9-37.34(d) and N.J.A.C. 13:39A-9.1 et. seq.

It appearing that the Respondent desires to resolve this matter without further proceedings and waiving any right to a hearing, and the Respondent acknowledging and not contesting the findings of fact and conclusion of law made by the Board; and the Board having been satisfied that the within resolution adequately protects the public health, safety and welfare; and for good cause shown:

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ON THIS 23 DAY OF February, 2010 ORDERED that:

therapist, renewed on February 1, 2008 and in active status, will remain active on the condition that the Respondent submits documentation that she has satisfactorily completed an additional fifteen (15) continuing education credits as required by N.J.S.A. 45:9-37.34(d) and N.J.A.C. 13:39A-9.1 et. seq. within sixty days (60) of the filing date of this consent order. Respondent may submit satisfactory proof of completion of continuing education courses relating to physical therapy which were not pre-approved by the Board for credit if the continuing education courses met the requirements of N.J.A.C. 13:39A-9.3(a) and the provider meets the requirements of N.J.A.C. 13:39A-9.6. Failure to comply with this condition within the stated time period will result in the

automatic and immediate suspension of the Respondent's license to practice physical therapy in New Jersey without further order until such time as Respondent submits satisfactory proof of completion of all required credits.

- 2. The fifteen (15) continuing education credits taken as part of this action shall not qualify to fulfill the mandatory continuing education requirements for the 2010-2012 renewal period pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:39A-9.2(d).
- 3. Respondent is cautioned in the future to obtain the requisite continuing education courses within the preceding renewal period as required by N.J.S.A. 45:9-37.34(d) and N.J.A.C. 13:39A-9.1 et. seq. and to carefully complete all renewal applications
- 4. Respondent is hereby assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$500.00 for her failure to obtain the thirty (30) continuing education credits within the preceding biennial licensure renewal period.
- 5. Payment shall be made by certified check or money order immediately upon accepting and signing of this Consent Order and sent to the attention of Lisa Petrowski, to the Board of Physical Therapy Examiners, P.O. Box 42014, Newark, New Jersey 07101.
- 6. Failure on the part of the Respondent to pay the civil penalty timely or to comply with any of the terms of this

Consent Order constitutes a violation of the Order, proof of which would constitute grounds for further disciplinary action by the Board.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS

By: Saw E Will PT DPT 400 A00 Sto 100 Karen Wilk, P.T., D.P.T.

Chair

I have read and understand the within Consent Order and agree to be bound by its terms. Consent is hereby given to the Board to enter this Order.

2/19/10

Jeremy Van Devender, P.T.

DATED: